

25th California Trails and Greenways Conference

Merit Award (Project – Honorable Mention)

Albertson Parkway Trail

City of San Jose

In the 1980s the City of San Jose constructed a trail project beneath power lines as a memorial for local resident Gary Albertson. He had been an advocate for the development of a new highway to bypass the dangerous “blood alley” Monterey Highway. Unfortunately, Mr. Albertson, his family and a friend died on that roadway in 1974. The 0.5 mile trail was neglected over the years and became a venue for undesirable activity.

During the past two years City Staff has worked to construct a meandering 12 foot wide trail for bicyclists and pedestrians. The project includes landscaping with drought tolerant plants and three interpretive signs. The final project has created a trail and open space that enhances the neighborhood and connects to a 1,500 acre open space park.



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